

MEDICAID POLICY INFORMATION SHEET

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Initial

Public Comment

Final

Brief description of policy:

This bulletin is a correction of asset policy relative to federal stimulus payments received during the public health emergency.

Reason for policy (problem being addressed):

Current policy excludes the payments from all assets rather than from cash assets for Medicaid eligibility.

Budget implication:

budget neutral

will cost MDHHS \$ _____, and (select one) budgeted in current appropriation

will save MDHHS \$ _____

Is this policy change mandated per federal requirements?

This bulletin will align the policy with current federal requirements.

Does policy have operational implications on other parts of MDHHS?

No

Does policy have operational implications on other departments?

No

Summary of input:

controversial (Explain)

acceptable to most/all groups

limited public interest/comment

Supporting Documentation:

State Plan Amendment Required: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Public Notice Required: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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	Project Number: 2324-Eligibility	Date: May 25, 2023

Comments Due: June 29, 2023
Proposed Effective Date: August 1, 2023
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<p>Policy Subject: Supplemental Security Income (SSI)-Related Medicaid Asset Policy</p> <p>Affected Programs: SSI-Related Medicaid Categories</p> <p>Distribution: Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) Holders</p> <p>Summary: This bulletin is a correction of asset policy relative to federal stimulus payments received during the public health emergency.</p> <p>Purpose: Current policy excludes the payments from all assets rather than from cash assets for Medicaid eligibility.</p> <p>Cost Implications: Budget neutral</p> <p>Potential Hearings & Appeal Issues: Few if any</p>
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Proposed Policy Draft

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
Behavioral & Physical Health and Aging Services Administration

Distribution: Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) Holders

Issued: July 1, 2023 (Proposed)

Subject: Supplemental Security Income (SSI)-Related Medicaid Asset Policy

Effective: August 1, 2023 (Proposed)

Programs Affected: SSI-Related Medicaid Categories

During the Public Health Emergency, a majority of Michigan residents received three payments from the federal government (in 2020 and 2021). These payments are referred to as stimulus payments. Current policy from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) incorrectly indicates that the payments were subtracted from a Medicaid fiscal group's total assets when determining Medicaid eligibility rather than subtracted from the Medicaid fiscal group's cash assets when determining countable assets for Medicaid eligibility. The purpose of this bulletin is to give notice of the correction of the policy effective August 1, 2023.